

NSW Department of Education
Biraban Public School
Works notification | 30 May 2024



Dear staff, parents/carers,

On 28 May 2024, 3 fragments of suspected asbestos-containing building material were found during routine garden maintenance in the area located at the north-eastern corner of Building E at Biraban Public School.

The area was immediately fenced off and an independent hygienist was engaged to undertake testing. Testing confirmed the fragments contained bonded asbestos, which means they were attached to other materials such as tiles or cement and cannot be crumbled by light pressure.

NSW Health explains that if bonded asbestos is mixed with cement or other hard bonding materials, and in good condition, it is likely to be low-risk.

The independent hygienist has remediated the area by removing the materials. The area has been tested, a clearance certificate has been issued by the independent hygienist and the area reopened for use.

All work was done in accordance with work, health and safety laws and the NSW Department of Education's Asbestos Management Plan. All work was completed by licensed and accredited asbestos contractors and monitored by independent hygienists in strict accordance with all applicable legislation, regulations, policies, and guidelines.

The health, safety, and wellbeing of the school and the local community is our highest priority.

Thank you for your cooperation during this important work.

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